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As of August 1952 the cost of living in Rumania was as follows:

Bread (open market)	2.18 lei per	300 grams
Bread (with ration tickets)	2.50 lei per	1 kilogram
White flour (open market - unavailable)	4. lei per	1 kilogram
Black flour (open market - unavailable)	2.50 lei per	1 kilogram
Black flour (with ration tickets)	.40 leu per	1 kilogram
Corn flour (open market)	2.75 lei per	1 kilogram
Butter (open market - rare)	22. lei per	1 kilogram
Cooking oil (with ration tickets - unavailable)	1.70 lei per	1 liter
Beef (open market - rare)	10. lei per	1 kilogram
Beef (with ration tickets - rare)	3.80 lei per	1 kilogram
Eggs	.75 leu	each
Poultry	45. lei per	pair
Grapes	4. lei per	1 kilogram
Tomatoes	1. lei per	1 kilogram
Soda (for barter only)	40 eggs for	1 kilogram
Petroleum (for barter only)	3 eggs for	1 liter
Shoes, men's (open market)	210. lei per	1 pair
Shoes, men's (with ration tickets - 1 pair per year)	80. lei per	1 pair
Shoes, women's (open market)	180. lei per	1 pair
Shoes, women's (with ration tickets - 1 pair per year)	55. lei per	1 pair
Dress material (open market)	12 to 26 lei per	1 meter
Dress material (with ration tickets)	5.50 lei per	1 meter
Men's suits (open market)	600. lei per	suit
Men's suits (with ration tickets)	260. lei per	suit

Medicines are totally lacking. The dispensaries treat a maximum of 40 patients daily. The stores are well frequented but sales are few because the merchandise is expensive.

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